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Common name Santa Barbara County Sheriff

Abbreviation SBSO

Patch of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office

Flag of Santa Barbara County, California

Motto *"Keeping the Peace Since 1850"*

Agency overview

Formed 1850 ^[1]

Employees 640 (2012) ^[2]

Annual budget US\$112,730,087 (2012) ^[2]

Legal personality Governmental: [Government agency](#)

Jurisdictional structure

Operations jurisdiction * [County](#) of [Santa Barbara](#) in the [state](#) of [California](#) , [United States of America](#)

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Map of Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office's jurisdiction.

Size 2,745 sq mi (7,110 km²) ^[2]

Legal jurisdiction [Santa Barbara County](#) , [California](#)

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Operational structure

Headquarters [Goleta, California](#)

Agency executive Bill Brown, [Sheriff](#)

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Helicopters **4**

Website

www.sbsheriff.org

Footnotes

* **Divisional agency:** Division of the country, over which the agency has usual operational jurisdiction.

Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office (SBSO) provides law enforcement for the [unincorporated areas](#) of [Santa Barbara County](#) , [California](#) , as well as several cities within the county. The [cities](#) that the

Sheriff's Office provides police services for include [Buellton](#) , [Carpinteria](#) , [Goleta](#) and [Solvang](#) .^[4] In total the 640 full-time employees of the Sheriff's Office are responsible for 2,745 square miles (7,110 km²) of the county.^[5]

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Founded in 1850, the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office is the oldest law enforcement agency in the state.^[1] In its early days, the department battled outlaws [Salomon Pico](#) and [Jack Powers](#) . Initially having a single Sheriff, aided only by a jailer and guard in charge of the chain gang, the department now has over 600 full-time employees.

Organization [\[edit \]](#)

North County Operations Division [\[edit \]](#)

The North County Operations Division starts at the [Gaviota Tunnel](#) and extends north to the [San Luis Obispo County](#) line as well as east to the [Kern County](#) and [Ventura County](#) lines. The division has patrol stations in [Buellton](#) , [Lompoc](#) , [New Cuyama](#) , [Santa Maria](#) and [Solvang](#) .^[6]

South County Operations Division [[edit](#)]

The South County Operations Division boundaries extend south from [Gaviota Tunnel](#) to the [Ventura County](#) line and west, from the crest of the [Santa Ynez Mountains](#) to three islands in the [Santa Barbara Channel](#) with patrol stations in [Carpinteria](#) , [Goleta](#) and [Isla Vista](#) .^[6]

Rank structure [[edit](#)]

Title	Insignia
Sheriff	
Undersheriff	
Chief Deputy	
Commander	
Lieutenant	
Sergeant	
Senior Deputy	
Deputy	

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